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Realistic Fiction for 4th – 6th Grade

Birdsall, Jeanne	<i>Penderwicks*</i> While vacationing with their father in the Berkshire Mountains, four sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy. 262p.
Buyea, Rob	<i>Because of Mr. Terupt*</i> Seven fifth-graders at Snow Hill School in Connecticut relate how their lives are changed by their unconventional teacher, Mr. Terupt. 269p.
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Gino, Alex	<i>George</i> When people look at George, they think they see a boy. But she knows she's not a boy. She knows she's a girl. George thinks she'll have to keep this a secret forever, until she decides to try out for the role of Charlotte in her class performance of Charlotte's Web. 195p.
Graff, Lisa	<i>Absolutely Almost</i> 10-year-old Albie has never been the smartest, tallest, best at gym, greatest artist, or most musical in his class, but new nanny Calista helps him uncover his strengths. 288p.
Grimes, Nikki	<i>Words with Wings</i> Gabby, a daydreamer, copes with her parents' separation and the challenge of a new school. A teacher helps her turn her daydreams into writing that soars. 84p.
Gutman, Dan	<i>Homework Machine</i> Four fifth-grade students –a brain, a class clown, a teacher's pet, and a slacker, relate the events surrounding a computer that is programmed to do homework. 146p.

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- Harper, Charise ***Just Grace**** Though a true original, Grace is in a class with four other Graces, so her teacher dubs her "Just Grace." Presented as a diary, full of artwork by Grace herself. 138p.
- Hunt, Lynda Mullaly ***Fish in a Tree*** Ally's greatest fear is that everyone will find out that she doesn't know how to read, but a strange new teacher may have the answer to Ally's difficulties. 274p.
- Levy, Dana Alison ***Misadventures of the Family Fletcher**** Two dads and four sons confront challenges with humor and love in this lively look at modern family life. 260p.
- Lord, Cynthia ***Handful of Stars*** 12-year-old Lily meets Salma Santiago, whose migrant family are in town for blueberry-picking season. The two girls forge a friendship as they try to raise money for an operation for Lily's dog. 184p.
- Lupica, Mike ***Game Changers**** Eleven-year-old Ben McBain is small for his age, but he knows he has what it takes to be a great quarterback, if the coach will give him the chance. 207p.
- Palacio, R.J. ***Wonder**** Auggie is an ordinary kid who likes Xbox, ice cream and Halloween, but a facial abnormality keeps other kids from seeing who he really is. 315p.
- Patterson, James ***Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life**** On his first day of middle school, Rafe vows to break every rule in the school's code of conduct. 281 p.
- Vail, Rachel ***Well, That was Awkward*** Thirteen-year-old Gracie sends texts pretending to be her bashful best friend, Sienna, and their friend Emmett starts texting back pretending to be shy A.J. 314p.

For older Tweens (5th – 6th Grade)

- Ada, Alma Flor ***Love, Amalia*** When Amalia's best friend moves away, Amalia turns to her grandmother for comfort; but who will she talk to when her grandmother is no longer near her? 127p.
- Hiaasen, Carl ***Hoot*** Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site. 292p.
- Khan, Hena ***Amina's Voice*** When Amina's best friend Soojin becomes an American citizen she begins talking about changing her name, and Amina is left wondering how she can fit in to her new middle school while staying true to her Pakistani-American heritage.
- Norriss, Andrew ***Friends for Life*** Francis is interested in fashion and costuming, making him a target at school, but his life begins to change when he meets Andi, an athletic girl with a reputation for fighting, and Jessica, a ghost who has no idea how she died. 240p.
- Stead, Rebecca ***Goodbye Stranger*** Three best friends and a mysterious narrator try to make it through 7th grade amidst friendship, romance, betrayal, and gossip. 289p.

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